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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **HIRASE, Katsunori et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2614**

Serial No.: **09/977,459**

Examiner: **Paulos M. Natnael**

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For: **IMAGE DATA OUTPUT DEVICE AND RECEIVING DEVICE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 31, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **June 6, 2005**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.